#### FORM 8-K

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON D.C. 20549

# CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: May 8, 2003

Date of Earliest Event Reported: May 8, 2003

DOLLAR TREE STORES, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

COMMISSION FILE NUMBER: 0-25464

VIRGINIA 54-1387365 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

> 500 Volvo Parkway Chesapeake, VA 23320 (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (757) 321-5000

#### Item 5. Other Events.

On May 8, 2003, Dollar Tree Stores, Inc. issued a press release regarding its fiscal first quarter 2003 sales results. A copy of the press release is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by this reference.

## Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

## Exhibit # Description

Dollar Tree Stores, Inc.'s press release regarding its fiscal first quarter 2003 sales results.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

Chief Financial Officer

DATE: May 8, 2003

DOLLAR TREE STORES, INC.

By:

Frederick C. Coble